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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In the Office Action mailed November 6, 2000, claims 1-24 were pending. Claims 1-24 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112 and 35 U.S.C. §103. Claims 1-6, 15, 16, 18 and 20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b).

AMENDMENT

Please amend the claims below without prejudice:

1. (Twice Amended) A mini-pallet comprising:

a substantially rectangular deck having a length defined by a first two opposing sides, a width defined by a second two opposing sides, an upper surface, a lower surface, and a perimeter comprising at least one double wall edge; two downwardly projecting parallel load supporting rails connected to said